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Mr Cervetti,

Many thanks for your consideration and assistance over the course of this patent application process.

Please find, following, an amended claim which consolidates the previous two claims. This amended claim, which I suppose must be considered "NEW claim 3", supersedes and replaces the two previous claims. This amended claim is here presented to you for your consideration in language which should better conform to the prevailing standards.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "THOMAS J HARDMAN JR".

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